

Frequently Asked Questions: Surgical Critical Care

Question	Answer
Program Director Qualifications	
<p>What is the exception to possessing licensure to practice medicine in the state where the primary clinical site is located?</p> <p><i>[Program Requirement II.A.2.c).(2)]</i></p>	<p>The Committee expects all program directors to possess licensure to practice medicine in the state where the primary clinical site is located with the exception of federal physicians who serve as program directors or faculty members of Surgical Critical Care programs.</p>
Program Director Responsibilities	
<p>Must the program director, who either directs or co-directs one or more of the critical care units in which the clinical aspects of the educational program take place, personally supervise and teach surgery and surgical critical care fellows in that unit, and also personally supervise surgical residents rotating through the unit or other surgical subspecialty fellows?</p> <p><i>[Program Requirement II.A.3.f)]</i></p>	<p>Yes. The program director must personally supervise and teach all learners in the educational environment of the surgical critical care program.</p>
Faculty Qualifications	
<p>What type of faculty qualifications are acceptable to Committee, other than American Board of Surgery-Surgical Critical Care certification?</p> <p><i>[Program Requirement II.B.5.]</i></p>	<p>The Committee expects that all physician faculty members hold appropriate critical care ABMS certification. If a physician faculty member does is not ABMS-certified, then the program should request the Committee review the credentials of the faculty member to determine if, in their judgment, the faculty member holds acceptable alternative qualifications. The Committee will consider such requests on a case-by-case basis.</p>

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